# MAY BE DECLARED **LEGALLY A GHOST**

Wife He Deserted for Many Years Plans Action Against Nethercott.

SHE WANTS TO SEE HIM

Second Husband Has Warrant and a Beating Waiting for Wanderer.

If Thomas W. Nethercott, Canarsie's "Enoch with a wallop," tries to make more trouble for his wife, her lawyer, John M. Wilson, said to-day, he not only will be arrested, but efforts will be made to declare him legally dead.

Nethercutt, being regally dead, it was pointed out, he will have no more standing in the world than if he were a ghost.

The wife, Mrs. Mary F. Cook, was prostrated to-day in her home, No. 1817 East Ninety-third Street, Brookphysician, and her husband was guarding the Cook home.

We will welcome the appearance of Mr. Nethercott in these parts," said Cook. "I would like very much to see him. His last visit was unexpected and I was not prepared for him. If he comes back the law will takes its course."

Attorney Wilson is ill in his home at No. 350 Fulton Street, Brooklyn. As soon as he recovers he will take steps to have Nethercott tagged as a man who is dead in the eyes of the

"There really isn't any pressing need for such a step," he said. "By his swn actions Nethercott has lost all giaim upon the woman he once took as his wife. He has neglected her shamefully. When she married Cook she believed she was a widow. She had gone to Calvary Cemetery and there had seen a tombstone on which yas inscribed, "Thomas W. Nethercott, U. S. N. "She was sure Nethercott was dead. and he really was, in so far as the faw was concerned, for he had not from the step of the said of the said with the for ten for the fears."

Nethercott hasn't been seen since Sunday evening, when he went to the Cook home, found his wife married to another and began fighting, instead of bearing the blow sliently, as did Tennyson's hero.

#### DESIGN FOR CITY HALL FOUNTAIN IS REJECTED

· Municipal Art Commission Turns Down Frederick MacMonnies's Statue as Irrelevant.

The Municipal Art Commission, by unanimous vote, has rejected the design for a new City Hall fountain submitted by Frederick MacMonnies, an American sculptor, who now lives in Paris. The disapproval was the that the design "bears no relation to yesterday by Harrington Cleveland, the City Hall, either architecturally or sculpturally."

The committee that made the recommendation is composed of Carl Mitter, one of the best known sculp-Bitter, one of the best known sculpters in the country; Frank L. Babbott and John A. Mitchel, editor of "Life."

The other members of the Art Commission are Robert W. De Forest, President Metropolitan Museum of Art; A. Augustus Healy, Presiden; Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences; George W. Breck, William A. Boring and Frank R. Lawrence, President of the Lotus Club.

The rejection of the MacMonnies design does not prevent him from

design doer not prevent him from furnishing another. In 1909 he re-ceived \$10,000 when he was awarded contract for the City Hall foun

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A Big Fact Worth Remembering!

## BROOKLYN "ENOCH" "Satety-First" Grip to Make Dancing Sane: THIS MAN TURNS New Clutch Robs the Fox Trot of Peril DOWN \$2,000,000



the dancing men won't be allowed to be naughty.

of a caloric clutch, has been devised for the woman

dancer, which will absolutely prevent any undue famili-

arity from her male partner. This terpsichorean jiu-

jitsu is guaranteed to frustrate three masculine pests.

embrace of the bald-headed firt, who is "old enough

to be your father, little girl." It will rescue her from

It will preserve any debutante from the tender

A special position, a real "safety clutch," instead

Safety-moral safety-first!

Charles S. Hubbard, Public Safety

Director of Pittsburgh, has just an-

nounced that the "safety first" post-

tion will be taught to all women and

girls who attend the public dances in that city.

BUT NEW YORK BEAT PITTS.

BURGH TO IT.

shall obviate the close embrace which

has been one of the most objection-

able features of modern dancing. If

a girl employs this 'safety first' grip.

it will be impossible for a man to

take liberties with her on the dancing

But already a "safety first" posi-

tion has been taught by New York

darcing masters and practised in

New York ballrooms. It was de-

acribed and apecially posed for me

the instructor at Mrs. Hallam's tea

dances in the Hotel Astor, who has

numbered many society women

In the "safety first" position

the woman stands with her left

hand on her partner's right shoul-

der, the four fingers outstretched

and slightly bent, so that she may

quickly tighten them to a grip or

double them to a fist. Her right

hand is not on her partner's left

shoulder, where he can cover it

with his own and surreptitiously

squeeze it, but is held out at least

eighteen inches from her body.

the man's shoulder to his chest, press

OFTEN FINDS THERE'S NEED OF

SAFETY FIRST POSE.

quently when I've been dancing with

men I didn't know well," confessed

artist and exhibition dancer, who is

pose drawn by The Evening World

"When the new dances came in a

frankly vulgar," explained Mr. Cleve-

land. "Now, man breaks away

from conventions more readily than

woman, and he returns to them with greater reluctance. Almost from the

beginning woman has urged, not that

modern dances be abolished, but that

is gently but firmly enforcing to

the feminine half of the "safety first"

"I've had to do that not infre-

him firmly away from her.

artist.

floor unless she wills it."

among his pupils.

"In this way," he declares, "we

PLOT OF FILIPINOS DANGEROUS, SENATE **COMMITTEE IS TOLD** 

Manila Editor Cables Drastic Measures Are Necessary to Prevent It Spreading.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.-Private spatches from Manila saying that be recent disturbances in the Philipine Islands, though dangerous, were asignificant in accomplishments, were aid to-day before the Senate Commitce considering the Philippine Indepen lence bill by Dean C. Worcester, forner Secretary of the Interior of the slands. The despatches came yesterlay from his personal friend, P. G. McDonnell, a Manila editor, and for helr accuracy Mr. Worcester vouched

"General commanding Corregidor enies the rumor regarding disarming f scouts. Mob in Botanical Garden cattered by the police before the time set for uprising. Arrested twenty

ally believed the disturbance is being influenced by widespread idea of Government weakness. Sedition not suppressed because a wrong interpretation of promises of administration in circulation by politicians among ignorant masses. Foregners apprehensive. Great many have applied for anything to corroborate many facts, tation. Witnesse ares forbidden to give information. Government will not allow us to see documents seized by army. Uprising insignificant in accomplishpotential agitation of lowest classes.

"Similar to 1896. We have arrested men in Manila. Main leaders have not been apprehended. Communications evidence that property owning natives are involved. Absolutely no Americans connected with uprising.
(Signed) "P. G. M'DONNELL."
A phrase "have issued arms t

civil employees" contained in the original despatch was eliminated by Mr. McDonnell in a later message and Mr. Worcester told the commithe believed the statement cantee he believed the statement can-celled was untrue.

Mr. Worester gave it as his opinion didn't get an engagement.

that the disturbance a were what might be expected if independence were granted.

Appointment for New Yorker. ALBANY, Dec. 31 .- Everett S. Elwood of New York, former Assistant Secretary of Charities Aid Association, to-day was appointed Secretary of the State Hospital Commission. The salary is \$5,000 a year. The position until recently was held by John H. B. Hanify, a Sulzer appointee, who resigned.

Just Father's Luck. From the Cincinnati Enquirer i The day that Father picks out to the same day that Mother makes him help her straighten the stovepipe in the kitchen and the same day that the

kitchen and the same day that the atoyeppe manages to fall down on Father's heed.

AGAINST STEUER, IS ST. CLAIR DEFENSE

Actress's Attorney Says.

to the committee. The despatches attempt to show that such a conspiracy was formed.

Miss St. Clair was on the stand and her lawyer was questioning her. He went over her suit against Erlanger the judgment she obtained, her subbolomen. Movement wide. Quite well sequent visit to Mr. Jerome and her rganized. Ricarte connected with charge that Steuer "framed up" the Erlanger suit.

Miss St. Clair, after again repudiating certain affidavits and parts of affidavits prepared by Jerome was asked ments but dangerous on account of what she did after she left Jerome's office the day she signed the charge that Steuer had acted improperly in

> "Then he told me to go up and see Pat Casey about an engagement with a motion picture producing concern Casey sent me to a manager, but

> Here the witness became so hysterical it became necessary to adjourn

Mr. Jerome was in court when the conspiracy charge was made. He confessed that he was somewhat wrough up about it.
"I am charged, according to the will

Smothered in Mass of Coal.

"PEACEFUL WIFE" **GOT ON NERVES** SHRAPNEL ORDER OF RICH BREWER

"Happiness Does Not Lie in Mrs. Harry L. Liebmann Says Son of Victim Testifies to Bush-Money," Says "Golden Husband Was Cruel to Her Rule" Howard. for Seventeen Years.

Wife Had Been Suffragette.

So said Mrs. Harriette M. Johnston-

band, Harry L. Liebmann, millionaire

Liebmann Brewing Company of

With each succeeding year, the

Brooklyn, has treated her with cruel-

wife alleges, the cruelty became

worse. Three days after her wedding

a systematic course of ill-treatment

toward her. There were many re-

active one, and when it was suggested

"Oh, no. I don't think Mrs. Lieb-

The Liebmanns were married .

the Alcazar Hotel he refused

I could hear him cursing mother and I could hear him cursing her. It is treatment of mother and of me was so had he made me nervous and we had to leave him."

had to leave him."

In her application for temporary alimony Mrs. Liebmann asked for \$200 a week and \$2,500 in fees for her lawyer. She declared that her husband brewery produced 750,000 barrels of beer annually and that he had other sources of income.

State's Oldest Woman Dies.

NEWARK, N. Y., Dec. 31 .- Lavinia

lackmar Alleson, the oldest woman in

our cry. And while we were pursuing the handicrafts of peace there came indirectly a proposition to make implements for warfare.

"Can you wonder that I would not do it? We don't live for money. Happiness does not lie in money.

"All the steel plants in the world, and all the battleships and all the firearms are not so wonderful and valuable as one human life, with a soul wrapped in it."

The wealthy Christian Scientist here was interrupted by a group of friends who called to wish him a happy New Year. He will remain in New York till after the New Year's

New York till after the New Year's festivities and then will go to Boston.

Perspiring Feet

For Tired, Aching

conciliations, but all were futile. Mrs. Wood is a Suffragette, a very

fillations she said:

AGAINST WARFARE, SUES FOR SEPARATION.

Manufacturer Refuses to Make Woman Lawyer Says It Missiles to Maim and Kill Men.

shrapnel, to be used in the war in Europe, has been rejected by the Com- to her would have been impossible. monwealth Steel Company of Granite City, III., it was learned to-day, be- Wood, a lawyer, at No. 2 Rector cause Clarence H. Howard, president of the organization, believes warfare should not be recognized.

Mr. Howard, who lives in St. Louis is a Christian Scientist, and is known all over the country as the "Golden Rule Steel Man" because he tries to run his plant in accordance with the Golden Rule by sharing profits with the employers, is stopping at the Hittmore Hotel with his wife and son,

rouble in Europe, he frowned at the in 1897 Liebmann, she charges adopted report about the \$2,000,000 shrapped order, and then said with blazing

"Why, our company would not ac cept an order for \$15,000,000 worth of shrapnel! Would it be a laudable thing to make these shells and then send them away so that men might murder one another with them? No. a thousand times no!

"The war itself is a bitter shame. in the general scheme of enlightened about ONE day-and one short day, humanity. If men would only think unison, and think purely and rongly for the abolition of this war, discussed Suffrage together." would stop. There should be a teneral movement in the United New York in 1897. They have three children—Joseph, aged sixteen, who interest a gray-haired man of measurement in the sixteen and thenry You Ende, twelve—who are thenry You Ende, twelve—who are States in this direction.

rieward, a gray-haired man of me-dium height, the size of his head indicating unusual brain power, his hair snow white and closely cropped, a smile playing in his frank gray eyes, sat back on a lounge and talked of things that the prophets of old dis-

man thus to be speaking along philosophical lines, does it not?" he continued. "Well, it has been my hobby, if one would care to call it such. If verth of good in the world, I am willing to spend a whole year of my

LEFT HOME WHEN A BOY TO MAKE WAY IN WORLD. When I was a youngster I left my

nome in Centralia, Ill., to win my own way in the world, and my mother rave me five maxims one for each inger-which I since have followed with great profit. They are: "'Seek company among these

ating with whom will make you better. "'Never gamble or go where

gambling is done. 'Never drink or go where drinking is done. "'As to smoking, it isn't as bad

as drinking or gambling, but take my advice and let it alone. "When in doubt about where to go, stop and ask if it would be a

good place to take your mether." "Platitudes, sh? Home nich call them that. But they have brought happiness to others. Not long ago i sat down and figured how much 1 had saved by not drinking, gambling or the like. I tigured it out at \$1,000 a year, and it had been thirty years

since my mother gave me the advice. MOTHER'S ADVICE SAVED \$30,000

FOR HIM. "She had saved me \$30,000. I took hat sum and built a general recreation building back of my home in St. Louis. How many persons would swap thirty years of dissipation for such a house? Perhaps some might call it a fad. If that is the case, then am a faddist.

"Perhaps I was a faddist when, as boy, I wanted an education. I was working for the Missouri Pacific and went to Mr. Hoxle and asked him it iny hours could not be arranged so could study. He replied by sending ne a check for \$350 to help out in my studies. I took it back to him. He said: My boy, I am speculating in Howard, preferred. Go on along about your business.

"With Mr. Hoxie's \$350 I went to business."

Washington University and was graduated. Then I kept working, working, working. It was a pleasworking, working. It was a pleasure. Prosperity came my way gradually. Finally a group of us took hold of the Commonwealth Steel Company. We told the employees they were our brothers.

"We fitted up restaurants and a clubhouse for them. We paid them good wages and demanded good work. We furnished means for education.

"We fitted up restaurants and a clubhouse for them. We paid them good wages and demanded good work. We furnished means for educating their boys. We offered bonuses, solicited suggestions from them, gave them shares of our stock. Normally we have 3,000 men working for us.

"Now we have only 1,500, but on Christmas the other 1,500 were taken care of. And those who are working chipped in with the heads of the company.

"You can imagine our plant. It is a big place, where we turn out equipment for cars and make 'safety first' billing to the pores and wash off again with more Resinol Soap and hot good with more Resinol Soap and hot with more Resino

BAFF GRAND JURY KEEPS UP PURSUIT OF HIRED SLAYERS

> ness Warfare Waged by Enemies.

Secure in the consent of Judge Malone to continue the present Grand its inquiry into the Baff murder case. Couldn't Have Happened If that body met again to-day to listen to the testimony of Harry Baff, son of the murdered poultry dealer. Young Baff was examined before the Grand If the wife in this story had been Jury by Assistant District Attorneys suffragist, the things that happened Deuel and Murphy.

It is understood that Harry Baff's story was merely corroborative of much evidence tending to outline the state of warfare among the poultry men in West Washington Market prior to the elder Haff's murder. He mann says, in separation papers filed was unable to testify as to facts conto-day in the Supreme Court by Mrs. cerning the murder itself, since he Wood, who is her lawyer, her huswas not an eye witness of his father's ragic death. and half owner of the Obermeyer and

District Attorney Whitman took so part in the Baft inquiry to-day, leavng the direction of his forces to Assistant District Atorney Delehanty. Yesterday's disappointing termination of the jury session, when it was discovered that any indictments filed now would not be legally strong because of the absence of three important witnesses, marked the end of Whitman's connection with the Half case at least in the capacity of District Attorney.

The reported discovery of new and

that Mrs. Liebmann might have come to her through Suffragette afimportant evidence in Brooklyn did not bear up to-day. Whatever an-sistant District Attorney Deuel was "Oh, no. I don't hink Mrs. Lieb-mann is a Suffragette. Had she been the cruelty that has lasted through seventeen years would have lasted about ONE day and one short day, about ONE day and one short day.

too. Mrs. Liebmann is a very well cessor will be to find a way to bring into New York jurisdiction the three educated woman, but we have never recalcitrant witnesses now in retreat in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, without whom the case against the gunmen and conspirators alike can-

gunmen and conspirators alike cannot be made legal proof.

When the Grand Jury was ready to
adjourn at a o'clock, the end of its
term. Judge Malone summoned the
members in a body to his chambers
and there continued the jury in its
same organization and personnel for
the term of January in order that it
might "continue in an important matter now under consideration." Henry Von Ende, twelve—who are living with their mother at No. 100 Cathedral Parkway. Liebmann is living at No. 170 West Eighty-sixth Street in a house he owns. On the afternoon of their wedding Mr. and Mrs. Liebmann went to Washington. On the third day of their stay there, Mrs. Liebmann ai-



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### the clingstone clasp of the man who doesn't know how to dance and wants to be towed around. And it will restrain the ingenuous youth who hasn't learned that there is a place for everything and that for some things a corner in the conservatory is better than a brightly-lighted upon the American man. The new dances haven't hurt our girls. It is the instinctive purity and self-respect of the girls that have helped the dances to develop in the right direction, to become more graceful and less extrava-

Cleveland with an explanatory wave of his hand. We were standing is the doorway of the rose room at the Astor, filled with festive fox-trotters "You won't see any of those awkward, sensational positions and movements, which have rightly earned so much criticism. Of course Mrs. Hallam's tea dances are care fully chaperoned, but no woman's modesty suffers to-day in any reputable ballroom.

"Young men and women don't dance this winter with their hands resting on each other's shoulders or locked around each

their necks. They don't hold their heads close together under the girl's picture hat. Their bodies do not touch, and there is no exaggerated interlacing of the feet."

SANITY FIRST AS WELL AS SAFETY IN DANCING.

Incidentally, I noted one toiling trotter who, in his efforts to be refined and nice, was clasping his fair partner with two lingers, while the other two hung limply in the breeze. However, it's a fault in the right direction.

"The 'safety first' position is generally taken by any woman who is at all particular as to her behavior," said Edgar Ward, another dancing instructor with both a Broadway and a Fifth Avenue clientele.

squeeze it, but is held out at least eighteen inches from her body, parallel to her shoulder, and just touches her partner's fingers. Her head is erect and slightly thrown back, which prevents even a man of exactly her own height from bringing his face too close to hers. If the man attempts to move his risht hand from its proper position, just above her waist, she may put it where it belongs by bringing her left elbow sharply down on the inside of his right elbow. If he stands too close she has but to make a fist of her left hand and, moving it swiftly downward four inches from the man's shoulder to his chest, press the moral code of modern dancing, but socially I think it ought to be described as a safety valve. At least, it's teaching the American man how

FIRE ON LINER PERUGIA.

Mrs. Wilson Karcher, wife of the Crew Controls Plames That Menaced Vessel on Voyage Here. LONDON, Dec. 31 .- A Lloyd's de-

the steamer Perugia, bound from Legfew years ago they were vigorously yesterday, but is now proceeding on unconventional and, in some cases, her voyage the crew having controlled features.

The Perugia is a vessel of 2,566 tons, and according to the records belongs to the Anchor Line. She piles between Genea, Leghorn, Palerino and New York.

New Red Star Liner Launched. BELFAST, Ireland, Dec. 21, via Loncause they get a CIRCULATION in they be made seemly and in keeping a local firm for the Red Star Line, was launched here to-day. She has a displacement of 33,000 tons, and is the largest Region vessel ever built. She will have accommodation for 3,000 passengers and Sun ADDED TOGETHER.

Times and Sun ADDED TOGETHER. between Antwerp and

## Erlanger, Jerome and Others Plotted to Disbar Lawyer,

A conspiracy between Abraham Eranger, theatrical manager: William Travers Jerome, his counsel; Assistant District Attorney Robert Manley; Pat Casey and Ed Keely, vaude ville booking agents, to destroy the

reputation and bring about the dis barment of Max D. Steuer, lawyer was charged to-day in the course of the trial for perjury of Edith St Clair, the actress, before Justice Davis in the Supreme Court. Benjamin M. Slade, counsel for Miss St. Clair, announced that he would

The defense was disclosed while

After Assistant District Attorney cent it from spreading. It is gener- Manley made repeated objections, Justice Davis said:

'I cannot allow this general line of examination unless it is the claim of the defense that a conspiracy was me happiness, and they have brought formed to disbar Lawyer Steuer and that this defendant was the instrument chosen for that purpose."

"We intend to prove just that." firearms permit. Impossible to do said Lawyer Stade, after some best-Proceeding along this line of defense

conducting her suit against Erlanger.

"I came up to the District Attorsecured indicating Americans were ney's Office and called on Mr. Man o be attacked. Property to be conne forced me to appear before th Grievance Committee of the Bar Association and testify against Steuer it would make trouble for all of us. He threatened that if I didn't appear there something would happen to me-

"I became very ill and went to a sanitarium. When I recovered called on Mr. Manley again."

ness," said Mr. Jerome, "not only with conspiracy, but with subordination of perjury and forgery. I shall go on the stand and refute this testimony."

J. Johnson, thirty-five years old, a laborer, fell into a coal pocket at One Hundred and Seventy-eighth Street and Harlem Silver and was smothered by the descending mass of